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title "Public Education", sub-title "Chapter 2. Formation of Boards", and to add a new section to said Article and sub-title, said new section to be known as Section 12F and to follow immediately after Section 12E thereof, providing for the appointment of a seven-man school board of education for Talbot County and creating special provisions generally relating thereto.

April 17, 1957.

Hon. John C. Luber Speaker of the House of Delegates State House Annapolis, Maryland

Dear Mr. Speaker:

I have today vetoed House Bill 451, which would supplant the existing provision for a three man School Board in Talbot County by a seven man Board, one from each of the five Election Districts, and two at large, to be appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate.

Confining the majority of appointments to County election districts would preclude selection of the best people available in the entire County to serve on the School Board. The interests of the public schools would not be advanced by legislation which might require selection of other than the best available people. While qualified people may be available today from each of the election districts in Talbot County it is entirely possible that at some future time, the only available people in a given district might be unsatisfactory for such a position. In a measure, also, it reflects political tampering with a method of appointment which has worked well through the years, and is not consistent with the continuing unanimous bi-partisan approval of keeping our public schools out of politics.

Therefore I have vetoed House Bill 451.

Respectfully,

(s) THEODORE R. McKeldin,

Governor.

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House Bill No. 534—Tax Exemption for Swimming Pools

AN ACT to add a new Sub-section (43) to Section 8 of Article 81 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition and 1956 Supplement), sub-title "What Shall Be Taxed and Where", said new sub-section to follow immediately after Sub-section (42) thereof, providing for exemption from property tax for certain co-operative, non-profit community swimming pools and equipment appurtenant thereto in Montgomery County AND PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTIES, with exceptions.